

AGENDA

GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS INTERIM COMMITTEE UTAH LEGISLATURE

Wednesday, July 18, 2007 • 9:00 a.m. • Room W025 House Building

Approximate
Time Frame

9:00 1. Committee Business

- Call to order
- Approval of the minutes of the June 20, 2007 meeting

9:05 2. Election Law Changes (draft legislation)

Title 20A, Election Code, contains detailed provisions for the administration of Utah elections. Each year a number of issues come up that require consideration by the Legislature. Most of the issues are technical and administrative in nature. Other issues may require a more substantive policy determination. The technical and administrative issues have been addressed in draft legislation prepared for the Committee's consideration. Other issues that are not part of the draft legislation will be presented by the representatives of the lieutenant governor and of the county clerks. How should the Legislature respond to these issues? Should draft legislation be prepared to address additional issues presented?

- Michael J. Cragun, Office of the Lieutenant Governor
- Scott L. Hogensen, Association of County Clerks

10:00 3. State Planning Coordinator Functions and Issues

The state planning coordinator is appointed by the governor and serves at the governor's pleasure (see Section 63-38d-202, Utah Code). The state planning coordinator advises the governor on state, regional, metropolitan, and local governmental planning matters relating to public improvements and land use. The state planning coordinator counsels with state agencies, reviews state and local plans, and makes recommendations to resolve conflicts and to coordinate state and local planning efforts (see Subsection 63-38d-401(1), Utah Code). Under Section 63-38d-605, the Public Lands Policy Coordinating Council, a seven-member council, provides advice and recommendations on the development of public lands to the Public Lands Policy Coordinating Office, state planning coordinator, and the governor. What are the functions and duties of the state planning coordinator? How does the state planning coordinator operate and coordinate planning efforts? How can the Legislature help?

- John E. Nixon, Governors Office of Planning and Budget
- Michael Mower, State Planning Coordinator

10:25 4. Recodification of Title 63, State Affairs in General -- Update

During the June meeting, the Committee voted to begin the work of recodifying Title 63, "State Affairs in General." Each chapter number from 1 to 99 is in use by current text or has been moved or repealed. Because chapter numbers are not reassigned to new sections of code, these chapter numbers are unavailable for future use. Currently, 60 chapters remain in Title 63 and 91 chapters have been repealed or moved. The last recodification was done 54 years ago in 1953. What is the plan for this recodification? What is its status? What changes are needed?

10:45 5. Other Items / Adjourn